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TO: The Director

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SUBJECT:

REMARKS:

You will probably be interested in the attached cable which apparently was not sent to your office. Even if this particular story is inaccurate, my own private belief is that Welles Hangen has probably been dead for some time. If he were alive, we would almost certainly have heard some rumor to this effect or the Communists themselves might have released him by now for propaganda advantage. The total silence re Hangen which has now lasted for many months suggests strongly to me that he is not among the living.

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Attachment
PHNOM PENH 2537 (State cable)

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